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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 1/31/07

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SHORT TITLE Diverse Population Education and Study Center SB 252

ANALYST Guambaña

### APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	\$170.0	Recurring	General Fund

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From  
Higher Education Department (HED)

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 252 appropriates \$170,000 from the General Fund to the Board of Regents of New Mexico Highlands University (NMHU) for the Center for Education and Study of Diverse Populations (CESDP).

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$170,000 contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the General Fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY 08 shall revert to the General Fund.

According to HED, NMHU submitted this proposal to the Department, but is not included in their funding recommendation for FY08. Senate Bill 252 appropriates \$170,000 whereas NMHU's requested amount is \$99,300. CESDP received a recurring appropriation in FY07 of \$218,800.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

Per NMHU Finance and Administration, the funds would be to provide professional development through the Priorities Schools Bureau of the New Mexico Public Education Department (PED). The professional development activities are designated for the lowest performing public school districts in the state.

According to HED, the 2007 NMHU Legislative Priorities publication identifies the primary mission of CESDP to assist communities in improving the quality of education for all citizens. CESDP promotes community involvement in education, ensures support for the New Mexico PED, and provides direct technical assistance, publications, products, research-based tools and models to students, parents, and educational organizations.

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